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Discover, Shop, and Learn at the 2nd Annual Decatur Old House Fair

Bungalow expert and Author Jane Powell to give Lecture and Sign Books!

February 1, 2010 – On Saturday, March 6th, the City of Decatur, in partnership with the DeKalb History Center and the Decatur Preservation Alliance, will hold the second annual Decatur Old House Fair. This day-long celebration will feature new ideas, practical advice, innovative materials, and quality services for owners of older homes. Homeowners can attend how-to seminars and workshops on restoring old windows, creating a maintenance plan, tax credits for rehabilitation, historic landscapes, researching an old house, and much more. Jane Powell, noted author of the books “Bungalow Kitchen”, “Bungalow Interior: Details” and “Bungalow Bathrooms” will be the guest lecturer and will be signing copies of her books which will be available for purchase at the event. The Fair will also include a large exhibit hall of professionals, retailers, and suppliers that specialize in areas like home improvement, historic preservation, and interior furnishings.

Seminars begin at 10a.m. Topics include:

- Wood Window Repair and Maintenance (offered twice!)
- Maintenance Plans for Old Houses
- Design Strategies for Additions and New Construction in Historic Neighborhoods
- Energy Efficiency in Old Houses
- “Greening” Your Old House
- Wood, Plaster, Asbestos and Lead: Charming Feature or Home Hazard?
- Historic Landscapes
- Creating Historic Interiors in a Modern World
- Researching Your Old House and What Style is Your House? (Bring a picture of your house!)
- Storm Windows in Old Houses
- Hiring a Contractor
- Zoning, Permitting, and Preservation Commissions

The Decatur Old House Fair will be held on March 6th from 9 a.m. to 5p.m. at the Holiday Inn Conference Plaza at 130 Clairemont Avenue in downtown Decatur. For a

seminar schedule, exhibitor details, and ticket information, visit www.DecaturOldHouseFair.com. Tickets are \$10 when purchased in advance, \$15 at the door. Tickets can be purchased on the website, through www.brownpapertickets.com/event/97692 , and at select local establishments.